THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) It is not proposed to regularise such occupation on long term basis.

(d) Does not arise in view of answer to (c) above.

Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property

4330. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that any property requisitioned under the Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property Act, 1952 and its Amendment Act, 1970 lays down that the Central Government would released/ derequisition any property requisitioned u/s 6 of the said Act on or before the expiry of a period of 15 years from such requisition; if so, what are the details thereof.

(b) whether Government have ordered the release of such properties still under illegal occupation of the MCD in spite of vacation orders and expiry of a period of 15 years for derequisition mentioned in part (a) above; if so, what are the details of orders; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor and what remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes Sir, by on amendment made in 1980 (35 of 1980) in the Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property Act, 1952, a provision was made that any property could be held in requsition for a maximum period of 15 years. However, some properties which were with Ministry of Defence, erstwhile Ministry of Works & Housing and Delhi Admn. etc. were still required for public use even after the expiry of this date. Therefore, by an Ordinance in 1985 (2 of 85) this period for whichproperty could be requisitioned was raised by 2 years. Subsequently, this Ordinance was replaced by an Amendment Act, 1985.

(b) and (c) While the Government has not issued individual orders for release of requisitioned property, it is upto the concerned requisitioning agency to take action as per the existing provision of the Act.

4331. [*Transferred to the 26th March*, 1992.]

Plan to flow water towards desert area of Rajasthan

4332. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan under Government's consideration to divert the flow of rivers and canals towards the sesert areas of Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b) National Water Development Agency has under the National Perspective of Water Resources Development, recently taken up a broad based study of the Himalayan Rivers Development component which *inter-alia* envisages diversion of surplus monsoon waters from River Ganga and its estern tributaries to the water short areas of Rajasthan also. Their report is expected to be available by the end of the 8th Plan.

Command area development project

4333. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the plans of Government to assist and strengthen the activities of irrigation and agriculture under Command Area Development project in Kota and Bikaner Divisions of Rajasthan;